THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) Delhi Development Authority (DDA), Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi and the Ministry of Home Affairs (Rehabilitation Division) have reported that no records pertaining to allotments made in Jheel Karanja in 1918 are available.

(c) to (e) The existing scheme for conversion of lease hold title of properties in Delhi into freehold *inter-alia*, provides for conversion into freehold of built up residential plots of Jheel Karanja for which lease deed/perpetual lease is executed and where completion certificate or at least D-form in respect of the construction is obtained from the local body, subject to fulfillment of the other requirements as per the policy. However, properties held on rent basis/license basis are not eligible for conversion into freehold.

Kochi Metro Rail project

1349. PROF. P.J. KURIEN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Kerala have submitted a proposal for Kochi Metro Rail project for approval;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government of Kerala propose to implement an elevated light metro system in Kochi over a length of 25.3 km between Alwaye and Petta at an estimated cost of Rs. 1966 crores (updated cost Rs. 3008 crores).

(c) The State Government has been advised to first explore the viability gap funding option under the scheme of Ministry of Finance, Government of India, for support to Public Private partnership in infrastructure.

Gates at entrance of MPs residential premises

†1350. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to fix iron grill gates on the main entrance of MPs residential premises/flats in areas like North Avenue, South Avenue and V.P. House from the security point of view; and

(b) if so, by when this work would be completed alongwith the details of approximate expense expected?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) No, Sir. However, a proposal for construction of boundary wall with iron gates around residential complex of North Avenue and South avenue is under consideration. Boundary wall with iron gate already exists around V.P. House.

(b) The estimate and architectural have yet to be finalized.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.